

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY, AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

# BOARD OF NURSING

## CONDENSED MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD (MAY 4-5, 2022)

Date:	May 4-5, 2022
Time:	May 4: 12pm – 4:30pm May 5: 9am – 4pm
Location:	Anchorage, Alaska
Attending:	Danette Schloeder, Wendy Monrad, Lena M. Lafferty, Jody Miller
Absent:	Julie Tisdale

### 1. Agenda Item #2 Public Testimony

Brief Discussion:	Beth Farnstrom – BON workload – 3 year renewal approach (CNA, RN, APRN in individual years). LPN seat – expand to include LPN or CNA. From AaNA – thanks & have a great meeting. Thanks to Joan Green – retiring, concern regarding filling the position.	
	Welcome to Jody Miller – new to fill LPN seat – from Haines	
	Elizabeth Blaire – support decrease of volunteer hours Colleen Bridge – thanks to Joan & support decrease volunteer hours	
Motion:		
Recorded Votes:		
Action Items:		

### 2. Agenda Item #3 Licensing Reports – RN & CNA

Brief Discussion:	Joan Green presented CNA report with updates on recent site visits.	

Motion: by Lena  2 <sup>nd</sup> : Wendy	I MOVE to approve the following nurse aide training programs to continue for the next 2-years: Alaska CNA Program, Prestige Care and Rehabilitation of Anchorage, Alaska Job Corps, Mat-Su CNA Training Program, Kachemak Bay Campus/Peninsula College - Homer, Kenai Peninsula College/Kenai Peninsula School District – Kenai, Heritage Place, Providence Seward Mt. Haven, UAF Community & Technical College, Alaska Technical Center – Kotzebue, Providence Valdez Medical Center/Prince William Sound College – Valdez.	
Recorded Votes:	DS	Y
	WM	Y
	LL	Y
	JM	Y
Action Items:		
3. Agenda Item #4 Annual Report & Strategic Planning		
Brief Discussion:	Accomplishments in the last year and plans for next year.	
Motion:		
Recorded Votes:		
Action Items:		

4. Agenda Item #5 Emergency Courtesy License Discussion		
Brief Discussion:	Discussion on ending urgent situation that necessitated the ECLs and ECCs.	
Motion: by Lena 2 <sup>nd</sup> by Jody	I MOVE that the urgent situation that necessitated Emergency Courtesy Licenses & Certificates is no longer in existence and that ECLs and ECCs will no longer be offered after May 15, 2022.	
Recorded Votes:	DS	y
	WM	y
	LL	y
	JM	y
Action Items:	Passes with 4 votes	
5. Agenda Item #6 Telehealth Discussion		
Brief Discussion: Marissa Bune & Jessica Estes from APRN Alliance	HB 265 telehealth bill	
	DEA currently reviewing Ryan Haight Act	
	Asks: 1. <u>Clarification of face-to-face PE for controlled substances</u> – clarified according to current regulation when “APRN prescribes, dispenses, or administers the controlled substance when an appropriate health care provider is present with the patient to assist the APRN with examination, diagnosis and treatment”. 2. <u>Asynchronous assessment to meet PE requirement?</u> – would we consider making allowances for PE portions to be obtained at a different time (asynchronously) with the controlled substance not prescribed until all of the PE information is collected when not able to be collected at the same time?	
	Impact on mental health in AK – difficulty with continued controlled substance prescriptions and access to providers for PE in rural AK	
	Impact on palliative care – letter from Providence	
Motion:		

Recorded Votes:		
Action Items:		
6. Agenda Item # 7 English Proficiency Exam – at home		
Brief Discussion:	NCSBN has advised against accepting at home English proficiency exams until proctor monitor technology has improved.	
Motion: Lina Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Wendy Monrad	I MOVE that the Board issues an advisory opinion regarding the use of at home tests for English proficiency, specifically advising against acceptance of these tests as measurement of English proficiency.	
Recorded Votes:	DS	y
	WM	y
	LL	y
	JM	y
Action Items:	Passes with 4 votes	
6. Agenda Item #8 Radiography Legislation presentation		
Brief Discussion: Donna Rufsholm	Licensure legislation (in 42 states) – seeking a sponsor for 2023 session. Two mechanisms included to accommodate RNs currently engaged in simple radiographic exams or seeking in the future. Ask – future letter of support once legislation introduced.	

Motion:		
Recorded Votes:	DS	
	WM	
	LL	
	JM	
Action Items:		

#### 6. Agenda Item #9 Dialysis nursing delegation request

Brief Discussion: Wendy Schrag and Cassie Fees	Ask: allow RNs to delegate administration of heparin in ports by Patient Care Technician – limited to those who pass federal certification and after training periods	
	Process – local training program that would include medication administration and then apply to sit for the federal certification.	
Motion:		
Recorded Votes:	DS	
	WM	
	LL	
	JM	
Action Items:		

#### 6. Agenda Item #11 Reading Orders from Executive Session 0900 motion by danette/2<sup>nd</sup> by wendy

Anderson, Melanie	At its meeting on May 5, 2022, the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska considered a request from Melanie Anderson for release from the 2-year probation required under her November 5, 2020 Consent Agreement. Ms. Anderson is a Registered Nurse in the State of Alaska and holds license NURR
Motion: Lena Laferty	
2 <sup>nd</sup> : wendy Monrad	

LL - y JM - y WM - y DS – y  passes	<p>38302, first issued on January 28, 2015 and will lapse unless renewed on November 30, 2022.</p> <p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska acknowledges Ms. Anderson’s compliance with the monitoring requirements, and agrees to grant the request for early release of her Consent Agreement.</p>
Martin, Sarah  Motion: Lena Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> : wendy monrad (revote) LL – y     n JM – y     n WM – n     n DS – y     y  Fails	<p>At its meeting on May 5, 2022, the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska considered a request from Sarah Martin for release from the two-year probation required under her November 5, 2020 Consent Agreement. Ms. Martin is a Registered Nurse in the State of Alaska and holds license 128983, first issued on January 8, 2018 and will lapse unless renewed on November 30, 2022.</p> <p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska acknowledges Ms. Martin’s compliance with the monitoring requirements, and agrees to grant the request for early release of her Consent Agreement.</p>
Rood, Tristan  Motion: Lena Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> : wendy monrad  LL - y JM - y WM - y DS – y  Passes	<p>At its meeting on May 5, 2022, the Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska considered a request from Tristan Rood for release from the five-year probation required under her August 20, 2020 Consent Agreement. Ms. Rood is a Registered Nurse in the State of Alaska and holds license NURR18498, first issued on February 26, 1998 and will lapse unless renewed on November 30, 2022.</p> <p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska acknowledges Ms. Rood’s compliance with the monitoring requirements, and agrees to grant the request for early release of her Consent Agreement.</p>
Barney, Amy Motion: Lena Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> : jody miller	<p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the license surrender, case numbers 2021-000462 &amp; 2021-000956, Amy E. Barney, license number NURR18293, adopted the license surrender in this matter.</p>

LL - y JM - y WM - y DS – y  Passes	<p>This license surrender takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board.</p>
Schlechte, Joseph  Motion: Lena Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> : wendy monrad  LL - y JM - y WM - y DS – y  Passes	<p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case No. 2021-000575, Joseph Schlechte, license number 139237, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.</p> <p>This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board of Nursing.</p> <p>The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondent’s license, without an additional order from the Board of Nursing or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.</p>
Fanning, Colleen  Motion: Lena Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> : jody miller  LL - y JM - y WM - y DS – y  Passes	<p>The Alaska Board of Nursing, having examined the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order under Case Number 2021-001290, <i>In the matter of COLLEEN M. FANNING</i>, registered nurse license No. 121240, adopts this Consent Agreement, Decision and Order in this matter.</p> <p>Any violation of this Consent Agreement, Decision and Order may result in the immediate suspension of Respondent’s Alaska registered nurse license without further action by the Board.</p> <p>The Consent Agreement, Decision and Order takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the BOARD OF NURSING.</p>

<p>Horton, Gail</p> <p>Motion: Lena Laferty</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup>: wendy monrad</p> <p>LL - y</p> <p>JM - y</p> <p>WM - y</p> <p>DS – y</p> <p>Passes</p>	<p>The Alaska Board of Nursing, having examined the Voluntary Surrender of Registered Nurse License, <i>In the matter of Gail M. Horton</i>, registered nurse license No. 118891, Case No. 2021-000929, hereby adopts the surrender in its entirety, effective immediately.</p>
<p>Hughes, Auriella</p> <p>Motion: Lena Laferty</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup>: jody miller</p> <p>LL - y</p> <p>JM - y</p> <p>WM - y</p> <p>DS – y</p> <p>Passes</p>	<p>The Alaska Board of Nursing, having examined the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order under Case No. 2021-001262, <i>In the matter of AURIELLA P. HUGHES</i>, registered nurse license No. NURR19414, adopts this Consent Agreement, Decision and Order in this matter.</p> <p>Any violation of this Consent Agreement, Decision and Order may result in the immediate suspension of Respondent’s Alaska registered nurse license without further action by the Board.</p> <p>This Consent Agreement, Decision and Order takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order with approval of the BOARD OF NURSING.</p>
<p>Lockuk, Martha</p> <p>Motion: Lena Laferty</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup>: wendy monrad</p> <p>LL - y</p> <p>JM - y</p> <p>WM - y</p> <p>DS – y</p> <p>Passes</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECISION AND ORDER</b></p> <p><b>IT IS HEREBY ORDERED</b> that default be entered against Respondent and that Respondent’s nurse aide certificate, No. NUAA5937, is revoked.</p> <p>Under AS 44.62.550 and 12 AAC 44.880, the Board will allow Respondent to apply for reinstatement of this certification <b>after one year</b> has elapsed following the effective date of this Decision and Order.</p>



	<p>Under this provision, any reinstatement of Respondent's nurse aide certificate shall be conditioned subject to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Payment of a civil fine in the amount of \$480.00 for Respondent's repeated failure to respond to requests for documentation;</li> <li>2) Mandatory audit to monitor compliance with continuing education requirements, where satisfactory documentation to verify Respondent's completion of the required continuing education activities must be received and approved by the Board or its designee prior to processing the renewal/reinstatement of her nurse aide certification. This requirement will remain until Respondent's nurse aide certification been renewed/reinstated subject to this mandatory audit requirement for two certification periods.</li> </ol>
<p>Askoak, Augusta</p> <p>Motion: Lena Laferty</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup>: jody miller</p> <p>LL - y</p> <p>JM - y</p> <p>WM - y</p> <p>DS - y</p> <p>Passes</p>	<p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case Nos. 2020-000854, Augusta M Askoak, license number 121242, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.</p> <p>This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board of Nursing.</p> <p>The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondent's license, without an additional order from the Board or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.</p>
<p>Bell, Samantha</p> <p>Motion: Lena Laferty</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup>: wendy monrad</p> <p>LL - y</p>	<p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case Nos. 2021-000589, Samantha Bell, license number NURP6872, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.</p>

JM - y WM - y DS – y  Passes	<p>This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board.</p> <p>The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondent’s license, without an additional order from the Board or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.</p>
Deconto, Alyssa  Motion: Lena Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> : jody miller  LL - y JM - y WM - y DS – y  Passes	<p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case No. 2021-000178, Alyssa M. DeConto, license numbers 125305 (RN) and 125740 (APRN), adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.</p> <p>This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board.</p> <p>The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondent’s license, without an additional order from the Board or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.</p>
Umiker, Barbara  Motion: Lena Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> : wendy monrad  LL - y JM - y WM - y DS – y  Passes	<p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case Nos. 2021-000241, Barbara Jean Umiker, license number NURR30936, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.</p> <p>This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board.</p> <p>The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondent’s license, without an additional order from the Board or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.</p>
Weber, Samantha  Motion: Lena Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> : jody miller  LL - y JM - y WM - y DS – y	<p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case Nos. 2021-000453, Samantha Leigh Weber, license number NURR28929, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.</p> <p>This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board.</p>

<p>Passes</p>	<p>The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondent's license, without an additional order from the Board or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.</p>
<p>Esquibel, Viva</p> <p>Motion: Lena Laferty</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup>: wendy monrad</p> <p>LL - y</p> <p>JM - y</p> <p>WM - y</p> <p>DS – y</p> <p>Passes</p>	<p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case No. 2021-000819, Viva Esquibel, license number NURR21696, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.</p> <p>This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board.</p> <p>The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondent's license, without an additional order from the Board or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.</p>
<p>Klumb, Matthew</p> <p>Motion: Lena Laferty</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup>: jody miller</p> <p>LL - y</p> <p>JM - y</p> <p>WM - y</p> <p>DS – y</p> <p>Passes</p>	<p>The Board of Nursing for the State of Alaska, having examined the Surrender of Certificate, Certified Nurse Aide NUAA14459, issued to Matthew J. Klumb, related to activities in Case No. 2020-000492 adopts the Surrender of Certificate in this matter.</p> <p>This Surrender of Certificate takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the Board of Nursing.</p>
<p>Wilson, Sheriene</p> <p>Motion: Lena Laferty</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup>: wendy monrad</p> <p>LL - y</p> <p>JM - y</p> <p>WM - y</p> <p>DS – y</p> <p>Passes</p>	<p>The BOARD OR COMMISSION for the State of Alaska, having examined the Consent Agreement and Proposed Decision and Order, Case Nos. 2021-000158, Respondent, license number 166017, adopts the Consent Agreement and Decision and Order in this matter.</p> <p>This Consent Agreement takes effect immediately upon signature of this Order in accordance with the approval of the BOARD OF NURSING.</p> <p>The Division may enforce the Consent Agreement by immediately suspending Respondent's license, without an additional order from the BOARD OF NURSING or without a prior hearing, for a violation of the Consent Agreement.</p>

<b>7. Agenda Item #12 Matrix for Professional Fitness Questions</b>	
Brief Discussion:	Discussion on how to handle aged non disclosures on Nursing applications.
Motion:	1. I MOVE to approve the non disclosure discipline matrix as a guide to board of nursing staff on how to process nondisclosures of aged misdemeanors.
	2. I MOVE that the Board of Nursing issues a policy statement requiring nursing applicants or nurses at renewal that have had an alcohol or substance related incidence within the previous year to undergo a substance abuse assessment to be submitted to the Board.
	<div>1.Motion: Lena Laferty</div> <div>2<sup>nd</sup>: wendy monrad</div> <div>2. Motion: Lena Laferty</div> <div>2<sup>nd</sup>: wendy monrad</div>
Recorded Votes:	<div>LL Y</div> <div>LL Y</div>
	<div>JM Y</div> <div>JM Y</div>
	<div>WM Y</div> <div>WM Y</div>
	<div>DS Y</div> <div>DS Y</div>
Action Items:	<div>Passes</div> <div>Passes</div>
<b>8. Agenda Item #13 Regulations Projects – English Proficiency &amp; Military Courtesy Licenses</b>	
Brief Discussion:	
Motion: Motion: Lena Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Jody miller	I MOVE to approve the edits from the Department of Law regarding the regulations projects on English proficiency requirements and Temporary military courtesy licenses or certifications.

LL - y JM - y WM - y DS – y  Passes		
Recorded Votes:		
Action Items:		
9. Agenda Item #13 Regulations Projects – Professional Activity Hours		
Brief Discussion:	Reviewed public comment.	
Motion:  Motion: Lena Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> : jody miller  LL - y JM - y WM - y DS – y  Passes	I MOVE to approve changes to 12 AAC 44.620 reducing professional activity hours from 60 to 30 as publicly noticed.	
Recorded Votes:		

Action Items:		
10. Agenda Item #13 Regulations Projects – Military LPN Education		
Brief Discussion:	Reviewed public comment.	
Motion:	I MOVE to approve changes to 12 AAC 44.290 and 12 AAC 44.305 regarding the Military LPN education pathway as publicly noticed.	
Motion: Lena Laferty		
2 <sup>nd</sup> : wendy monrad		
LL - y		
JM - y		
WM - y		
DS – y		
passes		
Recorded Votes:		
Action Items:		
11. Agenda Item #14 Future Regulations Projects – imposing civil fines		
Brief Discussion: Harriet Dinegar	Request from Harriet Dinegar regarding a regulations project to allow for civil fines.	
Motion:		

Recorded Votes:		
Action Items:	Request information from other AK regulating boards as examples and moved to August meeting.	
<b>12. Agenda Item #15 PDMP Update</b>		
Brief Discussion: Lisa Sherrell (PDMP manager)	Presentation from Lisa Sherrell on PDMP findings.	
Motion:		
Recorded Votes:		
Action Items:		
<b>13. Agenda Item #16 Division Report</b>		
Brief Discussion: Melissa Dumas	Financial report presented by Melissa Dumas.	
Motion:		
Recorded Votes:		

Action Items:		
14. Agenda Item #17 APU LPN Update & Accreditation update		
Brief Discussion: Dr. Marianne Murray	Presentation from Marianne Murray regarding APU’s LPN program.	
Motion: Motion: Lena Laferty 2 <sup>nd</sup> : wendy monrad  LL - y JM - y WM - y DS – y Passes	I MOVE to approve Alaska Pacific University Nursing Program as a fully approved nursing program to include ADN and RN to BSN program.	
Recorded Votes:		
Action Items:		

Next Meeting:	August 3 – 4, 2022
Adjournment:	Motion: Lena Laferty, 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Jody Miller @1520